

ELIZABETH UPCHURCH

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Commentary: Elizabeth Upchurch was born 1771(?) in Dunn Township, Franklin County, NC. She died about 1855 in Greene County AL. Elizabeth was the daughter of Benjamin Upchurch, Head of Upchurch Clan #13. She married John Carpenter in 1790 in Franklin County. The broader history of Benjamin Upchurch is still unfolding and Elizabeth provides certain insights which need to be developed more fully. In 1803 John and Elizabeth became the titular parents of five Upchurch siblings as these five had their surnames changed to Carpenter from Upchurch. A shaky hypothesis is that Elizabeth bore these children, fathered by John, out of wedlock. A more rigorous analysis is needed.

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